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The International Secretariat of OMCT requests your urgent intervention in the following situation in **East Timor**.

Brief description of the situation:

The International Secretariat has been informed by reliable sources of the grave concerns for the physical and psychological integrity of **Julio Soares da Silva**, an employee of Bank Pembangunan Daerah from Gleno, Ermera district, whose current whereabouts is unknown.

According to the information received, **Julio Soares da Silva** disappeared after his arrest on or about 17 September, 1997 and his wife, Alexandrina Martins, has not seen him since. The disappearance is allegedly being investigated by Komnas HAM (the Indonesian Human Rights Commission) in Dili, East Timor.

However, sources have confirmed that **Julio Soares da Silva** is still missing, despite steps being taken to locate him. It is believed that **Julio Soares da Silva** was arrested in Gleno by members of SGI (Special Intelligence Unit) under suspicion of being a member of the Clandestine Front (East Timorese Resistance) and taken to an unknown location.

The International Secretariat believes that **Julio Soares da Silva** is at heightened risk of torture and ill-treatment, especially since his condition and whereabouts remains unknown.

Action requested:

Please write to the Indonesian authorities urging them to:

- i immediately locate the whereabouts and guarantee the physical and psychological integrity of **Julio Soares da Silva**
- ii order his immediate release, in case he is detained, in the absence of valid charges or if such charges exist, bring him before a competent and impartial civil tribunal and guarantee his procedural rights at all times;
- iii carry out an impartial and thorough investigation into the events, identify those responsible and impose upon them the civil, penal and/or administrative sanctions provided by law
- iv to ensure in all circumstances the full respect of human rights and fundamental freedoms in accordance with national and international standards.

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MILITARY COMMANDER REGION IX/UDAYANA(covers East Timor, amongst other areas)

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The Indonesian Embassy in your respective country.

Geneva, 22 October 1997

Kindly inform us of any action undertaken quoting the code of this appeal in your reply